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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR and RD Department – Allegations of irregularities in execution of road works in Savarakota Mandal, Srikakulam District – Charge framed against Sri B.Narsimha Rao, AE, PRISD, Narasannapeta, Srikakulam District – Proved in the inquiry conducted by the C.O.I - Representation - Imposition of penalty of withholding of one (1) annual grade increment without cumulative effect under Rule 9 (iv) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Orders – Issued

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 648 **Dated: 09.12.2021.**

Read the following:

1. From the DG, GA (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No. 97 (C.No. 1186/V&E/E/2016), dated: 29.09.2017.
2. G.O.Rt.No.1390, PR&RD (Vig.I) Department, Dt: 21.12.2018.
3. G.O.Rt.No.1399, PR&RD (Vig.I) Department, Dt: 21.12.2018.
4. From ENC, PR, AP, Vijayawada, Letter No. Vig. I (1).4244/18, dated: 30.01.2019.
5. G.O.Rt.No.479, PR&RD (Vig.I) Department, Dt: 05.08.2019.
6. G.O.Rt.No.480, PR&RD (Vig. I) Department, Dt:- 05.08.2019.
7. From Sri J. Sathyanarayana, IPS (Retd.), Commissioner of Inquiries, G.A.(COI) Department and Inquiring Authority, D.O. Letter NO. 134/COI-JS/2019, dt: 12.08.2020.
8. Govt. Memo No. 11786/Vig. I/2017, PR&RD (Vigt. I) Dept., Dt: 02.12.2020.
9. From Sri B. Narasimha Rao, A.E, PIU SD, Srikakulam, representation dt: 23.12.2020.

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ORDER

Based on the recommendations of the Director General, Vigilance & Enforcement Department made in the reference 1st read above, on the allegations of irregularities in execution of road works under MGNREGS in Savarakota Mandal, Srikakulam District, Government in the reference 2nd read above, have initiated common disciplinary proceedings under Rule 24 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 duly framing following article of charge under Rule 20 of above said rules vide reference 3rd read above against Sri B.Narsimha Rao, AE, PRISD, Narasannapeta, Srikakulam District with a direction to submit his written statement of defence.

Charge:

That Sri B.Narsimha Rao, AE, PRISD, Narasannapeta, Srikakulam District has misused his official position and committed irregularities and misappropriation of MGNREGS funds in execution of road works in Saravakota (M) in as much as he has prepared MGNREGS and TSP grant estimates with different datas for GSB provision.

2. In the reference 4th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, PR among others, has furnished the written statement of defence of the Charged Officer. After examination of the matter, Government have decided to conduct regular inquiry into the matter. Accordingly, in the reference 5 th read above, Government have entrusted the case to Commissioner of Inquiries and appointed Sri J. Sathyanarayana, IPS (Retd.), C.O.I, G.A (COI) Department as the Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charge

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framed against charged officer Sri B. Narasimha Rao, Asst. Engineer, PR and also other eight (8) co-charged officers involved in the case.

3. In the reference 7th read above, the Inquiring Authority has furnished inquiry report dt: 12.08.2020 along with his findings on each charged officer. In the findings the Inquiring Authority, among others, has held that the charge framed against the Charged Officer Sri B. Narasimha Rao, Asst. Engineer, PR, is held proved.

4. In the reference 8th read above, Government, among others, have communicated the copy of the Inquiry report to the charged officer for submitting his representation, if any on the findings of the Inquiry Authority.

5. In the reference 9th read above, the charged officer Sri B. Narasimha Rao, Asst. Engineer, PR, Srikakulam has submitted representation duly stating that the gravel was obtained from Anguru quarry blended with stone dust was obtained from Singupuram quarry is proposed for GSB. The samples were got tested in the department district lab and satisfied with the results. Since there is no practice of issuing any test certificate, and hence he could not produce any documentary evidence in support of his statement to the V&E authorities. He has not committed any irregularities in preparation of the estimate and the I.A has not appreciated his defence. He has requested to consider his representation and exonerate him from the charge.

6. Government have examined the representation of the charged officer and observe that the charged officer has submitted similar contention before the inquiring authority mentioned therein. The I.A has considered the same and rejected this plea duly mentioning that the plea is not acceptable and held that charge is proved. As such, his representation to drop further action is devoid of merits since he has not submitted any new contentions in his present representation.

7. Accordingly, Government after careful examination of the matter have decided and hereby order to impose the penalty of stoppage of one (1) annual grade increment without cumulative effect under Rule 9 (iv) of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 against Sri B. Narasimha Rao, formerly Asst. Engineer, PRI Sub-Division, Narasannapeta and presently working as Asst. Engineer, PIU SubDivision, Srikakulam in the matter.

8. The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P, Vijayawada is requested to take necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

GOPAL KRISHNA DWIVEDI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri B. Narasimha Rao, formerly Asst. Engineer,
PRI Sub-Division, Narasannapeta and presently working as Asst. Engineer,
PIU Sub-Division, Srikakulam
through The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P, Vijayawada
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, A.P, Vijayawada
(with a request to the order on individual and furnish served copy to Government immediately).

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Copy to:

The Secretary to VC, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
OSD to Hon'ble Minister for PR&RD.,
PS to Prl. Secy. PR&RD. Department
The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.
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